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To: DFG Going Green Core Team, Working Group, Bike Committee, and other contributors:

I just wanted to take a moment to acknowledge all of the individuals who have contributed in one form or another to the DFG Going Green effort over the last four years. Last Tuesday the founding members of the going green team were acknowledged and celebrated by the Director and the entire Department for their outstanding efforts to create a sustainable vision for the DFG. Gordon Leppig, Linda Miller, Mike Snyder, Melissa LaPorte, Crilly Butler, and Jeff Funk were part of the original think tank that began piecing together our first going green report back in 2008. Since then the DFG Going Green initiative has grown exponentially because of the commitment and creativity of a growing number of dedicated DFG staff just like you. Looking back over the past few years, I am overwhelmed with pride at how much we have accomplished together. Because of you DFG now has a Going Green web page, a DFG Bikes! forum, several Director's Bulletins, two amazing reports on sustainability actions for DFG, a paperless initiative, a very cool logo, and guidelines for putting DFG on a strong path towards sustainability. These accomplishments would never have happened had it not been for the 90+ people who have contributed in one form or another over the past four years. This DFG Vision award is a HUGE accomplishment for all of us and I hope you will celebrate this acknowledgment of your commitment and perseverance to putting DFG on a path towards greater sustainability now and in the future. The extra time and effort you have given to the DFG Going Green effort is paying off and we've captured the attention and the support of our Director and our executive leadership. Our work together is far from over but I wanted you to know how much I (and the entire DFG family) appreciate your time, commitment, enthusiasm, and creativity. I am so thrilled to have this opportunity to work with all of you and I know that we will continue to do great things for the Going Green effort in the future. You rock!

Best,

Amber Pairis

DFG Climate Change Advisor



DFG Going Green Team receiving the Director's Excellence Award. From left to right: Chief Deputy Director Kevin Hunting, Melissa LaPorte, Mike Snyder, Director Chuck Bonham. Photo credit: Debra Hamilton.

Going Green Rock Stars!

(Sincere apologies to anyone accidentally left off the list.)

Brian Acord

Whitney Albright

Nathan Alexander

Chris Andrus

Chuck Armor

Susan Ashcraft

Afifa Awan

Tina Bartlett

Donald Baldwin

Russ Bellmer

Roxanne Bittman

Brenda Blinn

Betsy Bolster

Rachelle Boul

Mary Brittain

Crilly Butler

Jennifer Carlson

Jeanne Chinn

Karen Converse

Penny Crawshaw

David Dixon

John Ekhoff

Richard Fitzgerald

Meredith Fleener

Gina Ford

Paul Forsberg

Shawn Fresz

Vicki Frey

Jeff Funk

Julie Garcia

Gayle Garman

Justin Garwood

Holly Gellerman

Diana Gillingham

Suzanne Gilmore

Armand Gonzales

Lori Gustafson

Eric Hanev

Diana Hickson

Sharon Hope

Steve Juarez

Mark Kalashian

Jenna Kennedy

Savannah Knight

Daniel Kratville

Cristen Langner

Tony LaBanca

Melissa LaPorte

Beth Lawson

Teresa Le Blanc

Gordon Leppig

Richard Lis

Tracy Love

Elizabeth Lucas

Tom Lupo

Leslie MacNair

Betsy Magladry

Kurt Malchow

Amy Manasero

Glenda Marsh

Ray McDowell

Shaina Meiners

Linda Miller Dave Moore

Sandra Morey

Scott Osborn

Isaac Oshima

Monica Parisi

Katie Perry

Heather Pert

Shivam Prasad

Cynthia Roye

Steve Sanches

Gail Seymour

Daniel Slakey

Mark Smelser

Mike Snyder

Dale Steele

Chris Stermer

Timothy Stevens

Jeff Stoddard

Terry Tillman

Maggie Thomas

Valerie Vanwav

Cathie Vouchilas

Mark Wheetley

Bruce Webb

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Julie Yamamoto

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